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## Some tough decisions

### Tax rise considered after 8-year freeze

THE council's Cabinet, when it meets tomorrow (Wednesday, January 27), is due to consider a recommendation to the Full Council to increase the council tax.

Councillors will also consider a planned four-year programme of savings, which is being proposed to ensure the protection of vital frontline services, including social care for adults and children.

The proposed council tax increase – which follows eight consecutive years of frozen council tax – has resulted from major changes in the way the government finances local authorities. The changes will see government support for local authorities reduced by more than a half over the next four years, while the government has also stopped offering an incentive to councils that freeze the council tax.

The key proposals before councillors include:

- confirming a two per cent rise in council tax, in response to the Chancellor's decision for a precept on local authorities to cover the cost of adult social care

- a further increase of 1.99%, to ensure equivalent treatment between adults and children in the funding of services to protect the most vulnerable.

At the same time as making savings, the council's budget plans also outline measures to invest in new service areas,



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# LETTERS

## Let's all do more to tackle fly-tipping

I AGREE with the resident of Westmount Road about other people's unwanted furniture (Private road flytippers, GT Letters, January 5).

This has become a great problem for all borough councils across the country and needs to be tackled.

Over the years it has escalated not only by people with vans but also by residents who think that the council will remove their waste. So they feel they can dump their

unwanted items for free and this is not the case - it costs the council tax payers a lot of money that could be spent elsewhere.

Councils all over the country need to pull their socks up and find a solution to this problem fast. Janet Taylor, Woolwich

● A council spokesperson said: 'In 2014 the council removed 14,503 fly-tips from local streets and open spaces, adding up to an unsightly 730 tonnes of waste, costing

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around £210,000 to collect and dispose of. Reducing the impact of fly-tipping both in terms of cost and the impact to the environment is one of our priorities.

New laws give us a lot more flexibility and control over people collecting, dumping or transporting waste illegally but it's vital that all residents play their part in tackling this problem and we urge people to inform us if they have been a victim of fly-tipping, see any fly-tipped waste, witness waste being fly-tipped or know someone who is doing it in your neighbourhood. Please report it to us on 0208 921 4661. You can also report fly-tipping and get more information at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/flytipping](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/flytipping)

● See our story Tough action awaits fly-tippers on p7

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TERENCE LEAHY: 'Is this a tree, or is it a streetlight in Old Dover Road. I have been assured that it was grown from a bulb!'

## Memorial to African slaves - GT correction

Our story 'Memorial for African slaves' (GT September 8, 2015) incorrectly stated that Mrs Mavis Best MBE had passed away some years previously.

We sincerely apologise for this error and any distress caused to her husband, children June, Danny, Jackie, grand children, great grand children and family members.

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## ROYAL BOROUGH MEETINGS

THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

January 28- Children & Young People scrutiny panel, 7pm

February 1 – Licensing sub committee A, 6.30pm

February 2 – Planning Board, 6.30pm, committee rooms 4&5

February 3 – Licensing sub committee A, 5pm, committee room 4; Schools Forum, 6pm, council chamber

February 4 – Eltham Crematorium joint committee, 6.30pm, Eltham Crematorium, Crown Woods Way; Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel, 7pm, committee room 4

February 9 – Licensing review sub

committee, 6.30pm; Healthier communities and adult social care scrutiny panel, 6.30pm, committee room 6

February 10 – Audit & Risk management panel, 7.30pm, committee room 4

February 11 – Licensing review sub committee, 2.30pm

More information on 020 8921 5130 or at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings)

All meeting dates and times are subject to change.

We would advise you to check before you travel.



# Go to work on a Fairtrade breakfast



**MORNING MEAL:** campaign posters promote the theme of this year's event, left, Cllr John Fahy at a previous Fairtrade event



**BUSINESSES**, particularly cafés and restaurants in the borough, are being asked to support this year's Fairtrade Fortnight by holding special breakfast events. The theme for the fortnight – which runs from February 29 to March 13 – is Make Your Breakfast Count With Fairtrade, with the aim of encouraging people to buy fair trade food for their first meal of the day and support farmers in developing countries.

Royal Greenwich deputy leader Cllr John Fahy is encouraging cafés and

restaurants to organise Fairtrade Breakfasts during the fortnight. As well as doing their bit to support the Fairtrade movement, their involvement will be highlighted by the council. Cllr Fahy said: "Fairtrade Fortnight is a great opportunity for us to stand up for the rights of farmers and producers to be guaranteed a fair price for their products so they can build better lives for themselves and their families. "If any businesses or individuals can give their support to Fairtrade

Breakfasts, that would be wonderful." If you are interested in supporting Fairtrade Fortnight and would like to support and advertise your breakfasts contact Tom Ringwood at the council on 020 8921 6269 or email tom.ringwood@royalgreenwich.gov.uk Also watch out for details of Fairtrade events in forthcoming issues of GT.

● **For more information about Fairtrade Fortnight, visit [www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk)**

## Flu jab reminder for parents with young children

**PREGNANT** women and parents of young children are being reminded to visit their GP for free flu jabs to protect against the winter weather.

Children aged two years and older are entitled to the free vaccinations as well as pregnant women, people with long-term health conditions and pensioners over 65.

Royal Greenwich Council and NHS Greenwich Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are backing the national drive to help people stay well as temperatures fall.

They are particularly keen for parents with children aged two to four and/or in school years 1 and 2 to have them inoculated.

The youngsters will be offered a painless nasal spray vaccination with no need for injections.

Local GP Dr Ellen Wright, who chairs the CCG, said: "Flu can be a very unpleasant illness in children as they suffer the same symptoms as adults including fever, chills and aching muscles."

To find your local GP visit [www.greenwichccg.nhs.uk](http://www.greenwichccg.nhs.uk) and select 'your services'.

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# Running with a social conscience

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**THE council is backing a new running club that supports community projects and provides a friendly face for people who live on their own.**

Called GoodGym Greenwich, the group gets fit by doing good deeds. Instead of running on treadmills, they run to make deliveries to isolated older people. And instead of lifting weights, they shift earth for community gardens and help out with physical community tasks.

The group held a launch event at the Waterfront Leisure Centre in Woolwich last Wednesday evening (January 20), where they were joined by Cllrs John Fahy and Steve Offord. The club is also supported by councillors, Don Austen, Cherry Parker and Danny Thorpe.

Club spokesman Edward Field said: "We'll be running every week to help community organisations in the local area. GoodGym was initiated by a group of local residents and we think it's going to be a really positive force in the area. Around 400 people in the borough have already said they want to get involved."

"About 30 runners signed up for the launch event and ran to the Glyndon Community Centre, which we are supporting. The idea is to get into the community and use our energy for good rather than spending time lifting weights

in a gym. We do practical projects, such as working on community gardens."

The aim is to get 1,000 runners signed up over the next 12 months to combine their training with doing good.

GoodGym clubs are already operating

an isolated older person. If you've never really considered running before, or lack the motivation, then the community that GoodGym provides and the different reason to run can be a really easy route in."

GoodGym Greenwich will meet at 6.45pm



ON THEIR MARKS: local GoodGym team members at the launch of the initiative

in several other London boroughs. Ivo Gormley, the organisation's founder, said: "GoodGym is a really easy way to integrate doing something for your community into your exercise. If you're already running then it can take only 15 minutes to change your route slightly and drop in to visit

every Wednesday at the Waterfront Leisure Centre. The runs are free to take part in, and people can just turn up. New members are welcome, whatever their fitness level.

Cllr David Gardner, the council's cabinet member for health and social care,

said: "We are committed to supporting people who live alone and risk feeling isolated. GoodGym Greenwich is actively tackling this problem, so we are keen to give them our backing."

● For more details visit [www.goodgym.org](http://www.goodgym.org)

## Council crack down on Blue Badge misuse

FIFTY-FIVE Blue Badges have been seized since April after misuse after investigations by the anti fraud team. Twenty people have been cautioned and two prosecuted including a 58-year-old man who pleaded guilty to misusing his friend's Blue Badge to park his Porsche while he went taught at a Greenwich college. When he appeared before Bexley Magistrates last month, the Court ordered a fine of £230, a victim surcharge of £23, a Criminal Courts charge of £150, and awarded costs of £617 to the royal borough.

Cllr Maureen O'Mara, cabinet member for customer services, said: "As part of our ongoing commitment to prevent and detect fraud, the royal borough is taking rigorous action against Blue Badge misuse. This is good news for all genuine Blue Badge holders who so often are inconvenienced by other car drivers who take up valuable parking spaces whilst misusing Blue Badges they have no right to use."

● Report Blue Badge misuse to 0800 169 6975 or email [Blue-Badge-Fraud@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Blue-Badge-Fraud@royalgreenwich.gov.uk) Any information you give will be treated in confidence.

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## Hoverboard safety in question

TRADING standards experts have raised concerns over the safety of hoverboards after a spate of fires and explosions. They say there are major safety issues with hoverboard batteries, plugs, cables, chargers, and cut-off switches causing explosions and fires. And owners are being warned not to leave it charging unattended as they possess a serious fire risk. Now the council is advising local people who have bought a hoverboard, or been given one as a present, to contact the retailer to check if there has been a product recall. Over 38,000 hoverboards bound for the UK have already been examined and 84% have been detained by the Chartered Trading Standards Institute at border ports after being

assessed as unsafe. The London Fire Brigade has recently warned people to think carefully before buying hoverboards for themselves or others after several fire incidents requiring a response. The self-balancing scooters as they are sometimes known, are illegal to ride on both pavements and roads in the UK. They are only legal to use on land that is private property, and only with the landowner's permission. They are also unsuitable for young children, despite the products not carrying any age limit on packaging. Cllr Jackie Smith, the council's cabinet member for community safety said: "Not only are there serious safety concerns associated with hoverboards and their

chargers, riding one is also illegal on public streets and pavements. Therefore I urge residents to think seriously before buying one, either for themselves or as a gift."

● **If you suspect sellers or websites are selling products which could be unsafe report it to the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 04 05 06.**



## Cheaters caught

Fraud investigators save loss of £1.65m

**A WOMAN who sublet her three-bedroom council flat for seven years is the latest resident to be nabbed by royal borough fraud investigators.**

The woman received a nine-month sentence suspended for two years, a community service order for 150 hours and was ordered to pay £750 in costs after sentencing at Woolwich Crown court last Monday (January 18).

Now a family, which had been in temporary accommodation for the last year, have a permanent home after the Eltham property was reclaimed.

The Royal Borough was deprived of the use of its property for seven years and suffered a loss of almost £103,000 by having to provide temporary accommodation for those in genuine housing need.

Royal borough fraud investigators say they have prevented the loss of £1.65m from the public purse in the last year.

Figures for the period January to December 2015 include:

- 35 successful prosecutions for Housing Benefit or Council Tax Benefit fraud involving overpayments of £527,612.68

- 13 fines following benefit overpayments of £56,393

- seven cautions following benefit overpayments of £34,946.39.

In-depth investigations also brought back 26 council properties for families in housing need, and resulted in:

- five tenancy prosecutions, with custodial sentences of almost six years given
- five fraudulent Right to Buys stopped valued at over £300,000
- one tenant prosecuted for submitting a fraudulent Right to Buy application
- seven fraudulent housing applications stopped
- three Housing Association properties recovered (Registered Social Landlords).

Following successful prosecutions the council has been awarded financial losses of £187,000 of which £106,000 has been repaid.

Some of its success is down to the council's membership of the National Fraud Initiative, which involves information sharing between public and private organisations to help prevent and detect fraud. The council also employs

a dedicated Unauthorised Occupation Team who have also recovered over 30 illegally-occupied council properties.

Cllr Maureen O'Mara, the royal borough's cabinet member for customer services, said: "Our fraud investigators have made a significant impact in tackling tenancy and benefit fraud over the last year. It's important to highlight the work and successes of our anti fraud team as fraudulent claims take money from the public purse and direct much-needed support away from people in genuine need. The royal borough is committed to preventing and detecting fraud and urges anyone who suspects a fraud to report it."

● **If you suspect someone of committing fraud against the royal borough please call 0800 169 6975 or email [fraud@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:fraud@royalgreenwich.gov.uk) Any information you give will be treated in confidence.**

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# Righting all the wrongs

## Archive launch marks LGBT Month

by Dan Stephens

**THE EXPERIENCES** of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender people and their fight for rights will be highlighted in a series of events next month.

The royal borough is marking Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) History Month this February with a series of events, as well as a brand new historical archive detailing residents' experiences – and local people are being encouraged to get involved.

The UK has seen a progression in the rights of LGBT people in recent decades – from the legalisation of homosexuality in the 1960s and same-sex marriage in England, Scotland and Wales in 2014, to transgender people having the right to change their legal gender recognised in law in 2005.

However it should not be forgotten that in previous years, LGBT people have faced discrimination and violence, and often

had to hide their true identities for their own safety. Despite the progress made, hate still crimes occur and the council will continue to work hard alongside the police to prevent and tackle such crimes.

Next month, the council will be acknowledging the role of local members of the LGBT community young and old in contributing to the progression of LGBT rights. A new LGBT history archive will be set up collecting the experiences, histories, memories and reminiscences of LGBT people, particularly from older generations.

The council is also working with partner organisations including Royal Museums Greenwich, Oxleas NHS Trust and the Metro Centre to bring a series of LGBT History Month celebrations and events to the borough. These include a film screening of 'V For Vendetta' at the Royal Observatory on February 6, and a day of talks, workshops and activities around identity at the National Maritime Museum on February 20.



OUT AT SEA: dancing on board HMS Edinburgh, a photo featured in the LGBT season at the Royal Museums  
Pic: RMG Collections

Cllr Denise Scott McDonald, the council's cabinet member for culture, creative industries and community wellbeing said: "The royal borough is firmly committed to promoting equality and tackling discrimination wherever encountered. LGBT History Month will see celebrations and events take place across Royal Greenwich designed to recognise the contribution of those who have worked tirelessly to help cement the values of equality our local community enjoys today.

"It is important to celebrate but we must

also acknowledge the work still to be done to protect the rights of LGBT people by offering support and challenging discrimination.

"I encourage residents to get involved with LGBT History Month and make sure their stories are documented and their contribution towards a society of greater equality is recognised."

If you have a personal history and would like to share it, or get involved with LGBT History Month events, call 020 8921 3032.

● For further info on LGBT History Month events, visit [www.rmg.co.uk/LGBT2016](http://www.rmg.co.uk/LGBT2016)

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including extra funding for adult learning, and schemes to help local people to move off benefits and into work.

Council Leader Denise Hyland (pictured) said: "Despite the climate of cuts and austerity we have maintained a planned and prudent approach to our finances.

"This has enabled us to protect frontline services, while also investing in new services and initiatives that improve the lives of residents and that offer opportunities for local people to move out of poverty through work and training.

"The proposed increase in council tax is Greenwich's first in nine years, and reflects a number of changes by the Government in its rules for funding local services.

"I am pleased that the Chancellor has finally recognised the need for extra funding to support adult social

care. He has brought in a ring-fenced charge that will make an important contribution in this area, and our funding proposals would see this passed on to residents in the form of a 2% council tax rise.

"We'll also be considering a proposal for a further 1.99% rise in order to safeguard social care services for vulnerable children and young people – something that I believe will be widely supported by local residents."

The final decision on the level of council tax in Greenwich will be made by the full council at its meeting next month, once the charge levied on households by the Greater London Authority has been confirmed.

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## Savings strategy to safeguard vital services

Savings already agreed in principle by the council include:

- reducing staff costs by around £20m per year, with savings in management costs and through reduced use of agency staff
- creating new efficiencies to reduce the cost of providing adult social care, while ensuring that those in need are protected and supported
- reducing the costs of providing services, with more transactions offered online.

At the same time a growth and investment strategy will ensure money is available to invest in schemes including: ● an additional £1.2 million to be invested over three years in adult and community learning, including vocational skills and family learning

- additional funding for environmental services such as refuse collection, street cleaning, and tackling graffiti and fly-tipping
- employment schemes providing work and training to local unemployed people and those on benefits – including work on improving the borough's streets and pavements
- continued support for the Police's Violent and Organised Crime Unit (VOCU) which is making inroads into gang-related crime in the borough
- further programmes to support victims of domestic abuse and take action against those who carry out such crimes
- events to promote the borough's cultural attractions and promote tourism – the fastest-growing sector of the local economy.



# Tough action awaits fly-tippers

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**SHOPPERS** who've bagged a bargain in the January sales may be responsible for a spate of fly-tipping in the royal borough.

In recent weeks there has been an increase of old furniture and mattresses left in public places – possibly by an uncaring minority who have bought new furniture, then want to get rid of their old stuff.

But the council will take tough action against fly-tippers who think they can just dump old, unwanted junk on the borough's streets and open spaces.

Dumping waste illegally is a serious criminal offence under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. It carries a fine of up to £50,000 or more if a case goes to the Crown Court, and perpetrators can also face a prison sentence of up to five years.

Now angry residents, who say fly-tipping is spoiling their neighbourhood, are urged to work with the council to tackle the problem.

Meanwhile, the council is using new powers to seize vans and other vehicles they suspect of dumping, carrying or collecting waste if the driver cannot show a waste carrier's licence. Previously, council enforcement officers had to go to court to get a forfeiture order, which took time and delayed getting results.

Last year the council received more than 14,000 reports of fly-tipping. This added up to an ugly 730 tonnes of waste, which cost £210,000 to collect and dispose of.

Cllr Jackie Smith, the council's cabinet member for community safety and environment, said: "We are committed to reducing the impact of fly-tipping both in terms of cost and the impact it has on the environment."

"The law gives us a lot more flexibility and control over people collecting, dumping or transporting waste illegally. The council will not tolerate fly-tipping here and we will always take strong action to prevent the irresponsible and illegal behaviour of those dumping rubbish."

● People who want to dispose of bulky household waste can arrange for a special



**SORE SIGHT FOR ALL EYES:** examples of fly-tips in the borough, council workers carry out a bulky waste removal

**collection at a standard charge of £10 per item. The collection service is available at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/bulkywaste](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/bulkywaste) Alternatively, people can take items to the Reuse and Recycle Centre in Nathan Way, Thamesmead.**

## What you can do

**RESIDENTS** can report incidents of fly-tipping online by giving details at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/flytipping](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/flytipping) Alternatively they can telephone the council's call centre on 020 8921 4661 with the details.

## On track for better rail services

**NEWS** that the Mayor of London is taking over the running of rail services within the capital has been welcomed by the royal borough. The Mayor, Department for Transport (DfT) and Transport for London (TfL) will work together to create a more joined-up London rail network following an announcement last week (January 21).

TfL is hoping that under the new plans, users will see more frequent services and increased capacity, improved customer service with joined up

travel information, more integrated fares, a more accessible network and greater local input into train services. Councillor Danny Thorpe, cabinet member for regeneration and transport, said: "This is great news. Rail services are a vital part of the public transport network in south-east London, given the absence of London Underground services. A truly integrated network with improved services, managed by the Mayor, is critical if London is to grow and will be welcome

news for our residents and local businesses. "In order for the Mayor to take full advantage of the new arrangements and bring in service improvements that commuters desperately need, this will require the government to provide increased investment and infrastructure. The current arrangements just haven't worked in our part of London. I look forward to working with the Mayor to secure the necessary investment to make the major improvements our residents deserve."

## Interested in Fostering? Want to know more?

### Fostering Teenagers:

We hold regular information events for people who are interested in finding out more about fostering - this time with a focus on caring for teenagers.

At the events you will meet foster carers and social workers who are involved in fostering for the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

Please feel free to drop-in even if you are not interested in this particular age range.

### Venue:

The Woolwich Centre,  
Wellington Street, Woolwich SE18 6HQ

### Date and time:

Saturday 6 February 2016 - 10am for a 10:15 start to 12pm

### Booking a place:

Sign up to come to a fostering event by filling in our online form on website shown at bottom of this page or contacting us by telephone.

freephone 0800 052 1499

[www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/fostering)

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# Free self-management courses

Available for you or someone you care for who has a long-term physical or mental health condition.

Learn new skills to enable you to take control.

## Adult Courses

For adults who live with any long term health condition. The course provides tools and techniques to help you to take control of your health and manage your condition better on a daily basis. We also offer adult courses in languages other than English.

## Mental Health Courses - 'New Beginnings'

For adults living with or in recovery from a mental health condition, who feel they are at a stage where they could benefit from incorporating self-management skills to aid their recovery. The course is run by tutors who are either living with or in recovery from a mental health condition.

## Persistent Pain Courses

For adults who live with day to day persistent pain. The course looks at techniques to help you manage your pain effectively and reduce fatigue. It is a place to meet and share experiences with others in a similar situation.

## Carers courses - 'Looking after me'

For those who care for an adult who has a long term health condition or disability, and whose own health has been affected in any way e.g. stress, back pain. The course is about you making time to look after your own health needs. It aims to help you take more control of your situation and make a difference to your life.

## Parents Courses - 'Supporting Parents'

For parents of children who live with a long term health condition or disability. It is a place to share experiences, ways of managing and how to care for the carer. The course looks at the impact of childhood illness or disability on the whole family and explores ways of finding meaning in the experience.

## Type 2 Diabetes Course

For adults who have been diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes. This course is about: managing your condition effectively and helping reduce or prevent long term complications; developing practical skills to monitor and manage your Diabetes; looking at controlling glucose levels, foot care, healthy eating, exercise and working with your Health Care Team.



### Past participants' comments

"It was almost like someone gave me permission to think about myself and what I wanted"

"I started the course as a long carer, and left at the end of the course with so many new friends"

"I was feeling very depressed but the course helped me to find ways to think more positively. I have been able to plan for the future and feel less tired and drained"

### Course Information

Courses run over 6 weeks (apart from the New Beginnings course which runs over 7 weeks) with one 2 1/2 hour session each week.

All courses are run by tutors who either live with or care for someone with a long term condition.

Courses run across Greenwich borough all year round in a variety of locations with disabled access.

All participants receive free refreshments and course manual.

Reunion held for those who complete the course.

Would you like to register for one of our courses?

Or maybe speak to someone to see if a course is right for you?

Then contact one of the team:

Call 020 8921 5528

Email: [expert-patients@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:expert-patients@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

All Courses  
Are Free



# From my perspective...



## Plumstead mum publishes advice book on autism

by Laraine Clay

**WHEN** Emma Dalmayne was diagnosed with Asperger syndrome, a form of autism, two years ago she felt an immense relief and jubilation.

She was relieved to feel she could finally understand herself, and jubilant to know that "I wasn't crazy or a complete misfit".

But she said she was also sad because of all the "terrifying" meltdowns she had experienced without understanding why and all opportunities she had missed.

Now Emma, 39, has written a book that she hopes will give other people an insight into, and understanding of the condition.

'It's An Autism Thing... I'll Help You

Understand' has been written from Emma's perspective as an autistic parent with six children aged three to 24, who she describes as all "neurologically different" and two of whom have complex needs.

She is particularly proud that her 24-year-old son Raphelle has illustrated the book.

Emma, who lives in Plumstead, said: "There is a lot of ignorance born of fears that people don't understand.



**HELPING YOU UNDERSTAND:** Autism campaigner Emma Dalmayne, left, and her new book, published this week, with illustrations by her son

"If I can help people, especially parents, understand autism better, they can realise how much their children are capable of."

The National Autistic Society describes autism as a lifelong developmental disability that affects how a person communicates with, and relates to, other people, and how they make sense of the world around them.

Asperger syndrome is a form of autism and people with it can find it difficult to communicate and interact with others, resulting in anxiety and confusion.

Emma has campaigned for some years to increase understanding about autism and against methods of mistreatment of a condition she says has no cure.

Just before Christmas she was presented with a British Citizen Award, and The People's Honours, for her "exceptional contribution to the community".

"If my book can dispel myths, give teachers and parents the tools to step over to our point of view, to see how we see the world, feel the world even then I've done what I set out to do," she writes on her campaign page.

"Children and indeed adults do not need to 'fit in', we need help, encouragement and inclusion. We do not need harmful treatments or compliance training."

● **It's An Autism Thing... I'll Help You Understand** is published by Stass Publications and available as a hard copy or as an ebook at [www.stasspublications.co.uk](http://www.stasspublications.co.uk)

● Find out more about Emma's campaigning at [www.autisticdalmayne.com](http://www.autisticdalmayne.com) or find more about autism on the National Autistic Society website at [www.autism.org.uk](http://www.autism.org.uk) For information on services available for people with autism visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/autism](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/autism)





## INSPIRING THE FUTURE

### OPEN EVENING FOR TEACHERS AND FUTURE LEADERS

## WEDNESDAY 27TH JANUARY 6PM

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If you are passionate about learning and are ready to make a significant contribution, this could be your chance to join a unique and very special school.

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Come and join us at our open evening on Wednesday 27th January from 6pm at Woodhill Primary School. You will have an opportunity to meet staff and learn more about our exciting journey. Closing date for applications: 4th February 12pm NQTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

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**Inspire Partnership**

## Free music masterclasses

**RESIDENTS** are invited to attend musical masterclasses held at the Old Royal Naval College for students.

Anyone is welcome to attend and watch the young musicians perform to leading professionals who will offer advice and help them develop their skills.

This Thursday, January 28, acclaimed British tenor James Gilchrist will share his expertise from 3.30-6.30pm.

A violin masterclass will follow on Tuesday, February 2, from 10am-1pm, led by Mi-Kyung Lee, Professor of Violin at the University of Music and Performing Arts in Munich, Germany.

Masterclasses are free to attend and more will be held throughout the term. Visit [www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/whats-on](http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/whats-on)



## Greenwich 'most international' university

THE University of Greenwich is among the most international universities in the world, according to a recent survey. It's among the top 200 campuses listed by the Times Higher Education magazine, and is listed in the top 20 per cent in the "international outlook" category. Nearly 5,500 international and EU students from 176 countries study at Greenwich, which is one of the UK's most popular destinations for students from India and Nigeria.

The university also takes part in a number of international research projects with organisations such as the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the European Space Agency.

Vice-Chancellor Professor David Maguire said: "I am delighted that the university's vibrant international community, and far-reaching global connections, have been recognised in these listings."

"Our ability to attract staff, students and research partners from across the world is key to achieving our mission to provide high-quality education, research and enterprise."

● For information about the university, visit [www.gre.ac.uk](http://www.gre.ac.uk)

# Get in the swim for Demelza

ICY DIP: snowflake swimmers get in training



**FIFTY brave swimmers are wanted to take the plunge into Charlton Lido to raise cash for the Demelza children's hospice in Eltham.**

The event, called the Snowflake Swim, will take place on Sunday January 31 from 2pm, with a variety of distances on offer from the bronze 100m (two lengths) to the premium 2km (40 lengths), or individual swimmers' own choice.

The swim costs £10 for adults and £5 for

children and includes a Demelza swim cap and hot food and drinks afterwards.

Demelza supports hundreds of families of life-limited or life-threatened children across South East London, either through the hospice or in their own home.

Events co-ordinator Gemma Murray said: "We are so excited about our brand new Snowflake Swim and we hope you are brave enough to join us. Why not gather your friends and take the plunge together? Or even better, why not sponsor

your boss to take the plunge for Demelza, or simply do it alone and make it a solo swim to test your best stroke. As well as having fun you could be helping us to pay for a lifeguard for a morning session in our hydrotherapy pool, enabling families the chance to swim together and build precious memories."

● Book your place at [www.demelza.org.uk](http://www.demelza.org.uk) or by contacting Gemma Murray on [gemma.murray@demelza.org.uk](mailto:gemma.murray@demelza.org.uk) or 01795 845183.

## Do you live with a long term health condition?

Such as heart or lung disease, back pain, diabetes, migraine, all types of arthritis, IBS, osteoporosis, ME, MS, asthma, Crohn's, stroke, depression, Parkinson's etc.

Join a FREE six week (2½ hrs per week) 'Challenging Your Condition' self-management course and learn new ways to deal with your condition.

Topics include pain/symptom management, relaxation, exercise, healthy eating, fatigue, dealing with negative feelings and relationships with health professionals.

Book a place now on our next course in Greenwich on Monday February 15th, 22nd and 29th, March 7th, 14th and 21st from 10:30am to 13:00pm or let us know you would like to come on a future course.

Contact Arthritis Care on 0330 2020 358 (low cost call) or 020 7380 6509 email: [services@arthritiscare.org.uk](mailto:services@arthritiscare.org.uk)



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More information about our school can be downloaded from our website.

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# Borough rewards for deserving residents

LOCAL people are reminded that there is still time to give their local community heroes the recognition they deserve with a nomination for the Civic Awards 2016. Nominations can be made online or by completing and submitting the form, right, by 12pm on February 8.

● You can make your nomination and find out more about the criteria for nominations at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/civicawards](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/civicawards)



## How to make your nomination

YOU can make your nomination online or by completing this form and sending it to the Mayor's Office, Town Hall, Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6PW - the deadline for nominations is 12pm on February 8.

Please be sure to include the name, address and telephone number of the candidate or organisation you wish to nominate, and reasons for your nomination in no more than 200 words. The categories for nominations are as follows:

- Young Persons Outstanding Achievement Award – this is for a person under 25 years of age who has made an outstanding contribution to their community
- Volunteer Award – you can nominate a person who goes out of their way to help others for this category
- Community Award – this is for a person or group who make an extra effort to contribute to the community.
- Sporting Achievement Award – recognising a person who has achieved success through playing, coaching or organising sports in the royal borough.
- Arts and Entertainment Award – for a person or group making an outstanding contribution to arts, culture and entertainment
- Business Award – this recognises an individual or business who has demonstrated entrepreneurship and success in building a business locally
- Act of Courage – for someone who has shown remarkable courage or bravery.

## Royal Borough of Greenwich Civic Awards 2016 nomination form

Award category:.....

Nominee's name:.....

Address:.....

Telephone contact number:.....

Email contact:.....

*On a separate sheet please explain the reason for nominating this individual or organisation in not more than 200 words and attach it to this form.*

Name of person making the nomination:.....

Address:.....

Telephone contact :.....

Email contact:.....

Signature:.....

Date:.....

**Visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/civicawards](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/civicawards)**

## The Big London ENERGY SWITCH

**A scheme to help Londoners get a better deal on their gas and electricity bills**

Over 6000 Greenwich residents have registered for the Big London Energy Switch since the scheme began. The results from February 2015 were the best yet – with average savings in Greenwich of over £250 and winning tariffs better than anything available direct from suppliers or via price comparison services.

### How does the scheme work?

- Ⓔ The Big London Energy Switch is a collective switching scheme being run by the Royal Borough of Greenwich and a number of other councils in London
- Ⓔ Once registration is closed, all the energy companies are invited to offer their best prices to everyone who registered
- Ⓔ By gathering together a large number of people who want to lower their gas and electricity bills the Big London Energy Switch, using a third party 'switching provider', can encourage energy companies to offer their lowest prices
- Ⓔ You will then receive details of exactly how much money you could potentially save by switching if you accept the offer
- Ⓔ You can choose to accept the offer or not

Sign up online at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/biglondonenergyswitch](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/biglondonenergyswitch) or call 020 8921 5100 to find out about other ways to register

The deadline for registration is 1st February 2016

**Are you paying too much for your gas and electricity?**



# Twos in go



**BRIGHTER FUTURE:** Bola Elukanlo, whose son took part in the Together for Twos scheme and who is now at school, tells Cllr Miranda Williams how the scheme has helped her family



**BUSY BEES:** youngsters on the Together for Twos placement enjoy themselves at Cardwell Childrens Centre



**LEARNING AT PLAY:** Cllr Miranda Williams with one of the two-year-olds at Cardwell Childrens Centre

**FAMILIES** with two-year-old children can give them a head start before they go to school as part of the Together for Twos scheme.

The scheme offers up to 15 hours of free early learning for two-year-olds each week. It is open to families on certain types of income-based benefits, or on a low income and in receipt of working tax credits.

Together for Twos is part of a national programme which aims to improve children's development through good quality early learning while giving parents and carers the opportunity to return to work or training.

One parent who has taken advantage of the scheme said it has helped both her and her son.

Bolanle Elukanlo, who found out about Together for Twos from her GP, was given a 15-hours-a-week place for her son at Cardwell Children's Centre in Woolwich.

"Once he started there his speech and language delay was picked up, which wouldn't have been noticed if he had been at home. Before he started Together for Twos he didn't know any boundaries and he does now and he has learnt to say please and thank you," she explained.

While her son was at the centre Bolanle had the chance to study for level 2 in working with children and young people.

"A lot has changed, I didn't know anybody - I am now working and now I have made new friends and I have gained confidence. It has opened a lot of doors and opportunities for me," she said.

"Making this change helped me grow and make a difference in society and it showed me that I can do anything. I am happy now and I feel like I have more choices in work and life."

Bolanle added: "I really appreciate the early intervention for my child, it prepared him for nursery earlier and that meant he didn't need settling in as he was already confident from using his Together for

Twos place.

"What I would say to other parents who may be eligible is to ask about it, ask questions, and speak to someone in your local children's centre."

Another parent at Cardwell Children's Centre, Lian Stork, said her Together for Twos place has helped make her daughter more confident and sociable.

"Ruby was always a clingy child; I couldn't ever leave her with family to go to the shops for a few minutes as she would scream.

"I was worried about leaving her in nursery but they were very understanding and helpful, and extended the settling-in period so I could stay at the nursery until she was more settled," Lian said.

"They didn't rush her, they were very patient as it took about three months before Ruby was happily going into the nursery. I felt like I could talk to them, nothing is too silly to ask."

Since Ruby started Together for Twos she has become more confident to leave her mum.

Lian added: "She's socialising with children her



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**BUILDING CONFIDENCE:** Cllr Miranda Williams with Lian Stork and her daughter Ruby



Williams meets some children at the Children's Centre

own age. Her language has come a long way since starting nursery, and I also use that time to do things for myself.

"Together for Twos is so useful for the child and I felt really reassured. I would say talk to someone, ask at your children's centre and see for yourself."

The free Together for Twos places are available at a range of early years providers including childminders, nurseries, pre-school playgroups, crèches, children's centres and some schools.

All childcare providers in the scheme have a 'good' or 'outstanding' Ofsted grading.

Cllr Miranda Williams, cabinet member for children's services, said: "Early learning is a great way to give children a head start before they go to school and I would urge families to take advantage of the Together for Twos scheme if they can."

"Just go along to your local children's centre to find out if you are eligible – and discover all the other services the centres have to offer."

Residents can find out more about Together for

Twos at their local children's centres, which also offer a range of other services for families with children under the age of five.

As well as support and advice about going back to work, they can find suggestions about how to help their children to learn and play at home.

The centres also offer support for childminders and parents of children with special needs and disabilities as well as links to local schools, out-of-school activities and information on childcare services, plus much more.

**● For full details of the Together for Twos scheme, contact your local children's centre or visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/earlylearning](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/earlylearning) or contact the Royal Greenwich Families Information Service (FIS) by emailing [fis@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:fis@royalgreenwich.gov.uk) or calling 020 8921 6921. Visit [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/childrenscentres](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/childrenscentres) to find your local children's centre. Parents can use Twitter to share their experiences of how their children are benefiting from free early learning - use the hashtag #TogetherForTwos**

## Childrens Centres in Greenwich

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- Alderwood Children's Centre Rainham Close, Eltham SE9 2JH 020 8850 5927 [alderwood@gll.org](mailto:alderwood@gll.org)
- Brookhill Children's Centre Brookhill Road, Woolwich SE18 6UZ 020 8319 5320 [brookhilladmin@homestartgreenwich.org.uk](mailto:brookhilladmin@homestartgreenwich.org.uk)
- Cardwell Children's Centre Frances Street, Woolwich SE18 5LP 020 8854 7342
- Children's Centre services at The Eltham Centre The Eltham Centre, 2 Archery Road, Eltham SE9 1HA 020 8859 1110 [elthamchildrenscentre@gll.org](mailto:elthamchildrenscentre@gll.org)
- Children's Centre Services at Glyndon Community Centre 75 Raglan Road, Plumstead SE18 7LB 020 8317 9825 [brookhilladmin@homestartgreenwich.org.uk](mailto:brookhilladmin@homestartgreenwich.org.uk)
- Discovery Children's Centre Battery Road, Thamesmead SE28 0JN 020 8855 2470 [discovery@gll.org](mailto:discovery@gll.org)
- Eglinton Children's Centre Paget Rise, Plumstead SE18 3PY 020 8331 0374
- Greenacres Children's Centre Witherston Way, Eltham SE9 3JN 020 8860 0186 [greenacres@gll.org](mailto:greenacres@gll.org)
- Invicta Children's Centre Invicta Road (Blue Bungalow), Charlton SE3 7HE 020 8293 5037 [info@quaggychildrenscentre.org.uk](mailto:info@quaggychildrenscentre.org.uk) (Closed until 22nd Feb)
- Mulberry Park Children's Centre Boxgrove Road, Abbey Wood SE2 9JP 020 8310 0040 [mulberrypark@gll.org](mailto:mulberrypark@gll.org)
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**TAKE YOUR PICK:** GFMA is running a range of activities for all ages including the GFMA singing group

## New season of free arts workshops

GLOBAL Fusion Music & Arts in Charlton have started free workshops again this month. Tai chi and yoga sessions are held every week at Mascalls Meeting Rooms in Mascall Court of Victoria Way, and once a fortnight you can join in singing, drumming, jewellery making, and women's and girls boxercise. A writers group meets at Charlton House, Charlton Road once a month and the first of this year's World Cinema Nights is being held there this Friday, January 29 at 7.30pm - admission £3 donation.

The workshops and events are funded and supported by Charlton Triangle Homes. For more information visit [www.globalfusionarts.co.uk](http://www.globalfusionarts.co.uk) or call 8858 9497.

## Power to the Pepys

LONDON'S leading literary nightclub comes to Greenwich this week for an evening of Pepys-themed entertainment. Book Slam combines top writers with live music on the same bill at different venues in the capital.

Their latest event is the Samuel Pepys Book Slam special at the National Maritime Museum this Friday, January 29 when author and journalist Will Self (pictured) will read a specially commissioned piece written in the spirit of the 17th century diarist. The evening is part of the museum's current exhibition Samuel Pepys: Plague, Fire and Revolution which brings to life the turbulent history of Stuart London in the 17th century. Friday's line-up continues the theme with comedy from Book Slam regular Felicity Ward, music by the Chaps Choir and tunes selected by author Nikita Lalwani.

The museum opens from 6.30-8pm to coincide with the event, offering visitors half-price entry with their Book Slam ticket. Book Slam runs from 7.30-10pm. Tickets cost £6, £12 for combined tickets; Royal Museums Greenwich members can buy both tickets for just £6.

More information at [www.bookslam.com](http://www.bookslam.com) and [www.rmg.co.uk](http://www.rmg.co.uk)



## SCENE

**THE goat gives way to the monkey for the 2016 Chinese New Year next month.**

The Year of the Monkey starts on Monday, February 8 but celebrations start early at one local school.

The Greenwich Chinese Community School will be holding an event on January 31 for parents, teachers and pupils to get together to sing and dance.

Red envelopes, known as lishi or hongbao, will be given out to bring good luck.

The school is a non-profit making voluntary school and is based at Meridian Primary School in Old Woolwich Road. Mandarin and Cantonese are taught for all ages and the school also runs arts and culture workshops.

For more information, call 020 8858 2410 or visit [www.gcscms.org.uk](http://www.gcscms.org.uk)

The National Maritime Museum in will celebrate the new year with a free day of performances, lion dancing, music and fortune-telling.

Suitable for all ages, it takes place on Saturday, February 13 from 11am-4pm.

Chinese language classes for children are held on Saturdays at Greenwich West Community Centre in Greenwich High Road.

For details call 0800 852 73023 or visit [www.littlemandarinclasses.co.uk](http://www.littlemandarinclasses.co.uk)

To enter a listing email [greenwichtime@outlook.com](mailto:greenwichtime@outlook.com) or call 020 8921 5916  
Details of more events at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/whatson](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/whatson)

### BLACKHEATH

Join in sequence dancing, quickstep, cha cha cha and more at a tea dance compered by Mr Wonderful Dancing at Blackheath Halls, Lee Road, on Wednesday, January 27, 2-4.30pm. Tickets £5 and include light refreshments. Call 020 8463 0100 or visit [www.blackheathhalls.com](http://www.blackheathhalls.com)  
Quiz evening to raise funds for Blackheath Halls' Opera Project on Friday, January 29 from 7.30pm at Blackheath Halls, Lee Road. Tickets £10 per person, maximum eight people per team; call 020 8463 0100 or visit [www.blackheathhalls.com](http://www.blackheathhalls.com)

### ELTHAM

Music and drama students perform GHOST, a musical based on the 90s film, at the Bob Hope Theatre in Wythfield Road from February 10-13. Book online at [www.bobhopetheatre.co.uk](http://www.bobhopetheatre.co.uk) or call 020 8850 3702.

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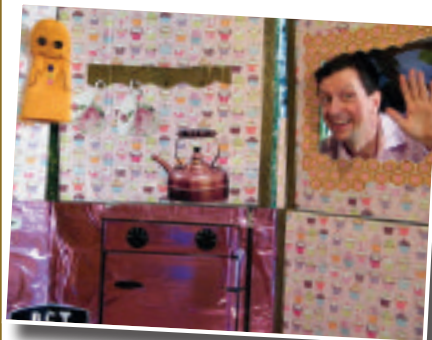
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## Fairy tale fun for young theatre-goers



**ON STAGE:** kids can see an alternative version of the fairy tale

**CHILDREN** are in for some treats over the next couple of weeks – and that's even before they break up for half-term.

Booster Cushion Theatre brings its own version of a Grimms' fairy tale to Blackheath with *Hansel, Gretel and You....Who?*

The children travel round the world to find food and get fit trying out different sports activities set for them by woodland animals.

But when a witch traps them in the Candy House, who can save them?

The show is on at Blackheath Halls in Lee Road on Saturday, January 30 at 3pm and is designed for ages 4-plus. Tickets cost £7 – call 020 8463 0100 or visit [www.blackheathhalls.com](http://www.blackheathhalls.com)

On Saturday, February 6, Untied Artists perform *The Boy Who Bit Picasso* at Mycenae House, also in Blackheath. Through storytelling, music and art, it tells the true story of a young boy who became friends with the great artist.

The fun show is designed for ages 4-plus and starts at 3pm. Tickets cost £7 at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/mycenaehouse](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/mycenaehouse) or call 020 8858 1749.

**LION DANCING:** youngsters from the Greenwich Chinese Community school enjoy last year's celebrations



# Monkey business

*Laraine Clay finds out about celebrations for the Chinese new year*

## WHAT'S ON

### GREENWICH

The BBC antiques series, *Flog It*, is holding a free valuation day for up to three pieces from 9.30am-4pm on Saturday, January 30 in the Painted Hall, Old Royal Naval College, King William Walk. For more information email [flog.it@bbc.co.uk](mailto:flog.it@bbc.co.uk), call 0117 974 7839 or visit [www.bbc.co.uk/flogit](http://www.bbc.co.uk/flogit)

### WOOLWICH

Royal Greenwich Heritage Trust showcases its collection of watercolour paintings in *A Sense of Place* at Greenwich Heritage Centre, Artillery Square, Royal Arsenal, until March 12. Open Tuesday-Saturday, 9am-5pm, entry free. Visit [www.greenwichheritage.org](http://www.greenwichheritage.org) for more details.

### GREENWICH

Musical duos perform at the Lillian Ash French song competition on Tuesday, February 2, 6-8pm. Free, in the Peacock Room, Old Royal Naval College, King William Walk. [www.trinitylaban.ac.uk](http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk)

### WOOLWICH

Pop-up bike market where you can sell or buy a bike from 10am-5pm on Saturday, January 30 in General Gordon Square. Free entry, just take your unwanted bike along with photo ID. Visit [www.peddlemywheels.com](http://www.peddlemywheels.com)

### GREENWICH

Rahel Vonmoos' contemporary dance 'to find a place' performed by Greenwich Dance on January 29 & 30 at 7.45pm, Borough Hall, Royal Hill. Tickets cost £12, £9 concessions - visit [www.greenwichdance.org.uk](http://www.greenwichdance.org.uk)

### WOOLWICH

Boppin' Bunnies bring their musical show for ages 2-8 to Under 1 Roof, The iO Centre, Skeffington Street, Royal Arsenal, on Saturday, February 6. Join CBeebies' Andy Day in an interactive singalong. Four performances between 10am and 4pm. Tickets £6 per child, adults go free - visit [www.boppinbunnies.co.uk/boppin-bunnies-special-events.php](http://www.boppinbunnies.co.uk/boppin-bunnies-special-events.php)



A TUDOR feast is being held next month to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Friends of Well Hall Pleasaunce in Eltham. The three-course meal will be served under the oak beams of the Tudor Barn and diners will be serenaded by local band Celtic Hearts. Guests are invited to dress up in Tudor costume if they want to get into the theme but this is optional. Money raised from the evening will help the Friends fund more improvements at the historic property. Over the last ten years they have helped develop a number of projects as well as planting more than 500 new trees. Working with the council, they have

raised over £130,000 from different funding bodies which has been used for features such as a new bog garden, a play area, an arbour and signage. They have also provided three wooden sculptures in memory of Edith Nesbit who wrote *The Railway Children* and who lived in Well Hall at the turn of the 20th century. The Tudor feast is being held on Thursday, February 18, starting at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £25, with discounts for groups of more than ten people. More details and tickets are available by calling 0800 433 2351 or visit [www.tudorbarneltham.co.uk](http://www.tudorbarneltham.co.uk)







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Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 478

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First Band A, followed by Band BI/B2 both in priority date order. Those in Band C will then be considered in registration date order.

Please note that there will still be some properties with age restrictions so only people of this age group can apply for these.

### BAND

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- BI** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly
- or**
- B2** homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and BI/B2.

## How do I apply?

1

### Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application on line at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

2

### Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Royal Borough of Greenwich about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

3

### Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website:

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Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free at either The Eltham or Woolwich Centre or a local library.

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### Apply in one of three ways

- Text bidding is now available and the number to use is 07786207913. For further information please see page 2, or
- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes)

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 3 February 2016 at midday**. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 31 January 2016**.

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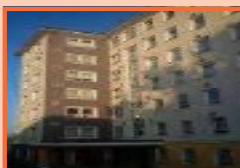
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**Casterbridge Rd SE3**  
2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H  
**£115.45 pw**



Ref Number: 66971  
**Charlton Triangle Homes**  
**Bayeux Hse Springfield Gr SE7**  
2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets No Pkg  
**£124.95 pw**

No Photo

L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 93331  
**Sandy Hill Rd SE18**  
2 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Unlifted Rad C/H  
No Pets No Pkg  
**£117.61 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 137130  
**Hatfield Hse SE10**  
**Merryweather Place**  
1 Bed 4th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets No Pkg  
**£136.69 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 209751  
**Willow Lane SE18**  
2 Bed Grd Flr Flat  
Entry phn Rad C/H  
No Pets No Pkg  
**£116.24 pw**



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 183364  
**Freemantle Hse Dowells St SE10**  
3 Bed 9th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets  
No Pkg  
**£183.32 pw**

## Affordable Homes

Please note any Housing Association properties advertised in this way will have a higher rent charge



Affordable Housing

Ref Number: 162303  
**Gallions Housing Association**  
**Redwing Path SE28**  
1 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets No Pkg  
**£132.00 pw**



Affordable Housing

Ref Number: 193807  
**Clothworkers Rd SE18**  
1 Bed Grnd Flr Flat  
Electric Rad No Pets  
No Pkg  
**£137.73**



Charlton Triangle Homes

Ref Number: 209753  
**Priory Hse Springfield Gr SE7**  
2 Bed 5th Flr Flat  
Lifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets No Pkg  
**£125.58 pw**

Applicants over 50+ can apply



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 194114  
**Crawford Court Alliance Road SE18**  
1 Bed Grnd Flr Flat  
Entry phn Rad C/H  
No Pets No Pkg  
Appls over 55  
**£115.38 pw**



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 209136  
**Siedle House SE18**  
**Woolwich Common**  
1 Bed 1st Flr Flat  
Unlifted Entry phn  
Rad C/H No Pets No Pkg  
Appls over 55  
**£141.53 pw** Ref



L&Q Housing Trust

Number: 209179  
**Pope Street Court Sidcup Rd SE9**  
1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat  
Lifted Rad C/H  
No Pets No Pkg  
Appls over 55  
**£126.39 pw**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ROYAL BOROUGH TENANTS WHO ARE MOVING

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### To avoid getting an unwelcome bill, follow these rules:

- Repair any damage caused to the property by you, your family or visitors to your home.
- Make good any changes you have made to your property e.g. put back any doors that you have removed.
- Make sure your garden is not overgrown and you have cleared all garden waste.
- Clear all your items from the inside and the outside of the property. This includes any loft space, external cupboards or sheds.
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The Royal Borough offers a Special Collection Service for tenants who are moving and want to dispose of something big and bulky, like a sofa or a fridge, and even unwanted clothes and other textiles.

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Fitted kitchens, bathroom suites, boilers, sheds, fences and rubble.

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**Please leave your home in a good condition!**



**Choice hotline 020 8921 4340**

# GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

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## This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 475

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Beveridge Court Saunders Way SE28 8EA	2	FLAT	195	23/09/2015	B2
Gavestone Road SE12 9BL	2	FLAT	389	16/09/2015	B1
The Heights SE7 8JL	1	FLAT	687	17/08/2015	B1
Timbercroft Lane SE18 2SD	3	HOUSE	672	16/04/1992	A
Westmount Road SE9 1JB	1	FLAT	590	28/02/2005	A
Throwley Close SE2 9LD	2	FLAT	366	04/02/2014	B1
Claymill House Raglan Road SE18 7HX	1	FLAT	409	01/09/2011	C
Watling House Woolwich Common SE18 4HP	1	FLAT	453	16/04/2011	C
Strandfield Close SE18 1LA	3	HOUSE	615	30/08/1999	A
Plumstead High Street SE18 1JU	2	FLAT	313	09/11/2015	B1
Combwell Crescent SE2 9LZ	2	FLAT	289	02/10/2015	B1
Chalcombe Road SE2 9QT	1	FLAT	438	13/12/2011	C
Lamport Close SE18 5PY	2	FLAT	351	24/02/2015	B1
Villas Road SE18 7PP	1	FLAT	432	01/12/2015	B1
Ormsby Point Vincent Road SE18 6RN	2	FLAT	254	18/09/2015	B1
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QR	0	FLAT	186	23/01/2012	C
Gilbourne Road SE18 2NT	2	FLAT	301	12/06/2015	B1
Woodhurst Road SE2 0HG	1	FLAT	407	24/09/2001	A
Throwley Close SE2 9LD	1	FLAT	426	19/04/2011	C
Eglinton Road SE18 3SJ	2	HOUSE	565	25/02/2009	C
Plantagenet House Leda Road SE18 5QR	2	FLAT	309	23/03/2015	B1

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please note you must tell us as soon as possible if there is any change in the information you have given on your form. If you do not do so, your application will be invalid.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### Heating Charge for RBG properties

Please note rent for Council properties may include a heating charge which is NOT covered by Housing Benefit.

## GreenwichHomes adverts

Greenwich Time is now being published 50 weeks a year and is delivered to all residents. GreenwichHome adverts are included in every issue.

## For information or assistance

Contact our Allocations Team on: **020 8921 2941** or email: **housing-allocations@royalgreenwich.gov.uk**



## Birthday celebrations for birth support projects

A UNIQUE project, which supports vulnerable women through pregnancy and birth celebrated its ten-year anniversary earlier this month.

The Best Beginnings Midwives started in 2006 to provide ante natal and early post natal support to vulnerable women. The project works closely with children's centres to make sure women who need extra support get an enhanced level of care throughout the child-bearing process and up to 28 days after the birth.

Over the last decade, the Best Beginnings team has been working with a range of health and social care organisations to reduce the risk factors, which can cause illness or death to mother or child.

Greenwich Mayor Norman Adams was among the guests for the celebratory event at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. The event also recognised the Time Team Clinic, an innovative mental health service which supports pregnant women with mental health issues, which is part of the Best Beginnings Midwifery team.

A spokesperson for the Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust said: "Despite the Trust going through two major re-organisational changes, the Time Team clinic and the Best Beginnings Midwives have continued providing women with their services. Both services have been

recognised locally as well as nationally and we have won numerous awards."



REACHING A DECADE: Greenwich Mayor Norman Adams joins midwives, mothers and project staff, inset, a special cake to mark the event

**To advertise in GT call  
Gaynor on 020 8921 5503**

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice is given that MR JOHN MINE JOHN of 18 LABURNHAM CLOSE, CLIFTON WAY, LONDON, SE15 2LJ has applied for the GRANT of a Premises Licence for the following premises:

**D'LUX**  
78 BLACKHEATH ROAD  
LONDON SE10 8DA

A record of the application may be inspected by appointment.

Interested parties may make representations to the Royal Borough of Greenwich on this application by no later than 18TH FEBRUARY 2016. Representations can be made in writing, by email or fax to The Licensing Team, Community Safety & Environment, 4th Floor, Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, London SE18 6HQ. Tel: 020 8921 8018, Fax: 020 8921 8380, Email: licensing@royalgreenwich.gov.uk. Representations can only be made on the grounds of one of the four licensing objectives, namely:

- Protection of children from harm
- Prevention of Public nuisance
- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety

Any person who makes a false statement in connection with an application is liable on summary conviction to a maximum fine of £5,000.

It is proposed that the following licensable activities will take place at the premises:

**SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL  
(ON THE PREMISES ONLY)  
MONDAY TO SUNDAY FROM  
11:00 HOURS UNTIL 24:00 HOURS  
LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT  
MONDAY TO SUNDAY FROM  
23:00 HOURS UNTIL 24:00 HOURS**

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice is given that THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH - EVENT'S TEAM, CENTRAL SERVICES, 3RD FLOOR, WOOLWICH CENTRE, 35 WELLINGTON STREET, LONDON, SE18 6HQ has applied for the GRANT of a Premises Licence for the following premises:

**CIRCUS FIELD, BLACKHEATH COMMON  
SHOOTERS HILL ROAD, LONDON SE3 7AS**

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**PLAYS, RECORDED MUSIC,  
PERFORMANCE OF DANCE AND  
ANYTHING OF A SIMILAR DESCRIPTION.  
FOR ONE EVENT: 'IN THE NIGHT GARDEN  
LIVE', FROM 20TH MAY - 12TH JUNE  
2016, 5 REHEARSAL DAYS AND 15 SHOW  
DAYS WITH FOUR PERFORMANCES PER  
DAY, MONDAY TO SUNDAY FROM 09:30  
HOURS UNTIL 18:30 HOURS.**

<b>Royal Borough of Greenwich</b> <b>Town &amp; Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)</b> <b>Town &amp; Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2015</b> <b>Planning (Listed Buildings &amp; Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)</b> <b>Town &amp; Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007 (AS AMENDED)</b>		
Notice is hereby given that applications have been made to the Royal Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday at: <b>Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT</b> Also at <a href="http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/planning">http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/planning</a> or at the library shown between normal opening hours. If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Nationally Listed Buildings under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the item below. Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice. Please quote the appropriate reference number. <b>Date: 26/01/2016</b> <b>Mike News - Chief Planning Officer</b>		
Publicity For Planning Applications		
Applicant: <b>Hamptons International</b>		<b>15/3274/F</b>
<b>191 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8JA</b>		
Development: Retrospective application to change shop front colour from black to dark grey		
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN		
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH		
Applicant: <b>Mr T. Swale</b>		<b>15/3485/F</b>
<b>40 ASHBURNHAM GROVE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8UL</b>		
Development: Enlargement of front lightwell, installation of railings on front boundary and installation of replacement outbuilding in rear of garden		
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN		
Conservation Area: ASHBURNHAM TRAIL		
Applicant: <b>Dr N. Atalla</b>		<b>15/3941/F</b>
<b>65 COURT ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 5AF</b>		
Development: Installation of first floor side window, elevational changes and minor internal alterations as amendment to planning permission dated 02/04/15 Ref: 15/0317/F for the construction of a detached house with integral garage		
Library: Eltham Library, Eltham High Street SE9 3BA		
Conservation Area: ELTHAM PALACE		
Applicant: <b>Mr Neil Batcheler</b>		<b>15/4000/F</b>
<b>78 HADRIAN STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9AQ</b>		
Development: Installation of replacement front windows and door		
Library: Greenwich Centre Library, 12 Lambard Square, Greenwich, SE10 9GB		
Conservation Area: EAST GREENWICH		
Applicant: <b>Mr A Wardle</b>		<b>15/4003/F</b>
<b>8 THE KEEP, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 0AF</b>		
Development: Construction of a single storey rear extension		
Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT		
Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH PARK		
Applicant: <b>Mr J. Meentem</b>		<b>15/4011/F</b>
<b>86 ARSENAL ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 1JY</b>		
Development: Formation of a left conversion including the insertion of 2 rooflights to rear elevation and construction of a first floor rear extension		
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Archery Road SE9 1BA		
Conservation Area: PROGRESS ESTATE		
Applicant: <b>Greenwich Property Investments Limited</b>		<b>15/4016/F</b>
<b>LAND R/O 67A SHOOTERS HILL ROAD, BLACKHEATH, SE3</b>		
Development: Demolition of existing garage and construction of a detached 4 bedrooms, 2-storey house.		
Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT		
Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH		
Applicant: <b>Mr A Sayers</b>		<b>15/4043/F</b>
<b>21 MOIRA ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 1SJ</b>		
Development: Erection of a single storey side and rear extension		
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Archery Road SE9 1BA		
Conservation Area: PROGRESS ESTATE		
Applicant: <b>Mr &amp; Mrs Vibhuti</b>		<b>16/0005/F</b>
<b>35 KIDBROOKE GARDENS, KIDBROOKE, LONDON, SE3 0PD</b>		
Development: Enlargement of existing basement including formation of lightwells		
Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT		
Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH		
Applicant: <b>Ms D Atanasovska</b>		<b>16/0017/F</b>
<b>38 HUMBER ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7LT</b>		
Development: Construction of a part 1/2nd 2-storey rear extension, excavation of new basement and left conversion comprising rear dormer window and 3 front rooflights		
Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT		
Conservation Area: WESTCOMBE PARK		
Applicant: <b>Mr S Treprear</b>		<b>16/0028/F</b>
<b>75 PARKGATE, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 9XF</b>		
Development: Construction of a single storey rear extension, single storey side extension, first floor side extension and replacement rear dormer		
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Archery Road SE9 1BA		
Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH PARK		
Applicant: <b>Foyle Developments Limited</b>		<b>16/0029/F</b>
<b>GARAGES REAR OF 34 FOYLE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3</b>		
Development: Demolition of the existing garages and construction of a 2/2-storey houses over basement		
Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT		
Conservation Area: WESTCOMBE PARK		
Applicant: <b>Mr Tim &amp; Clare Snowball</b>		<b>16/0040/F</b>
<b>105 OLD DOVER ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 8SU</b>		
Development: Demolition of existing 1/2nd and erection of a side extension		
Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT		
Conservation Area: RECTORY FIELD		
Publicity for Listed Building Consent		
Applicant: <b>Mrs K. Jamieson</b>		<b>15/4005/L</b>
<b>76 HYDE VALE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8QH</b>		
Development: Removal of basement fireplace and preparation for installation of a log burner		
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN		
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH		
Listed Building: Grade 2		
Publicity For Advertisements		
Applicant: <b>Marks &amp; Spencer PLC</b>		<b>15/3894/A</b>
<b>MARKS &amp; SPENCERS, 57 GREENWICH CHURCH STREET, GREENWICH, SE10 6BL</b>		
Development: Installation of internally illuminated fascia signs and non-illuminated projecting signs		
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN		
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH		



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# A Better way to raise funds for Sport Relief

KEEP active and help raise funds for good causes.

That's the invitation from the royal borough's leisure centre provider Better which is teaming up with customers and asking them to run, walk, swim, and cycling for the very best of causes.

The leisure group is aiming to raise £500,000 for Sport Relief and residents across the royal borough are urged to get down to their local leisure centre and get involved.

Better became the official health and fitness partner for Sport Relief 2016 in November and leisure staff have been putting their heads together with customers to devise a series of spectacular sporting events that will pool funds as #Teambetter.

The leisure provider will help those who are training

for the Sainsbury's Sport Relief Games, taking place from Friday 18 to Sunday March 20 by offering existing members and non-members some first class venues for their training challenges. Local facilities including the Waterfront Leisure Centre, the Greenwich Centre and Charlton Lido and Lifestyle Club will all be participating.

Steve Ward, Better Sport Relief project leader, said: "We've set

ourselves an ambitious fundraising target. But with #Teambetter's strong partnership with customers we think we can smash it. We'll help customers reach their fitness goals while helping Sport Relief transform people's lives at home in the UK and across the world's poorest communities."

● Find out how to get involved at [www.better.org.uk/sport-relief](http://www.better.org.uk/sport-relief)

ALL SET: the leisure group is aiming to raise £500,000



In addition to the netball masterclass Better also ran Greenwich's first 'Back 2 Netball' Let's Just Play event at Thomas Tallis School. Six teams came together to have fun, socialise and support each other in the quest to continue playing the sport they enjoy.



SHOOT TO THRILL: players practice their scoring techniques at a Sportathon event

Maureen told GT: "To improve netball's popularity in the borough, we are trying to sow the seeds to help Greenwich to get to the London Youth Games to play against other boroughs.

"There are now plans to develop an independent junior netball club in the borough for 12 to under-16s. It's all going very well. The girls have really taken to it and I believe once we give them some competition against other boroughs it will really improve netball in the borough's schools."

● If you would like more information about attending a 'Back 2 Netball' session or would like information on where junior sessions are running, contact the Sport Unit on 020 8317 5000 Ext. 3011.



## Not getting your copy of Greenwich Time?

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020 8940 0666  
or email [sasha@londonletterbox.co.uk](mailto:sasha@londonletterbox.co.uk)

**ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH**  
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -**  
**SECTION 14(1)**  
**TEMPORARY WAITING RESTRICTIONS -**  
**NELSON MANDELA ROAD**

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to make an Order to accommodate demolition and construction works. The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prevent vehicles from waiting (including for the purpose of loading or unloading) in Nelson Mandela Road, at the junction of the north-east to south-west arm and north-west to south-east arm, as follows:

(a) the south-west to north-east arm, both sides, extending for approximately 10 metres from the adjoining kerb-line of the north-west to south-east arm; and

(b) the north-west to south-east arm, both sides, extending to approximately 50 metres south-east of the north-western kerb-line of the south-west to north-east arm.

2. The above restrictions would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.

3. The Order would come into force on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner, however the works are expected to take one year to complete.

4. Queries concerning these works should be directed to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5889.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation  
The Woolwich Centre,  
35 Wellington Street,  
SE18 8HQ

Dated 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016  
(SUTHERLAND 020 8921 5889)

**ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH**

**MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009**  
**APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CHARLTON RIVERSIDE THAMES PATH MISSING LINK PHASE I**

Notice is hereby given that Royal Borough of Greenwich has applied to the Marine Management Organisation under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, Part 4, for a marine licence to undertake the construction of Charlton Riverside Thames Path Missing Link Phase I. Plans showing the position of the works may be inspected at Woolwich Library, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6HQ.

Copies of the application and associated information may be viewed on line in the Public Register at [www.gov.uk/check-marine-licence-register](http://www.gov.uk/check-marine-licence-register).

Representations or objections in respect of the application should be made in writing, giving an address to which correspondence relating to the representation or objection may be sent, to the Marine Management Organisation, Lancaster House, Hampshire Court, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7YH, or alternatively emailed to [joseph.wilson@marinemangement.org.uk](mailto:joseph.wilson@marinemangement.org.uk), within 28 days of 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016 quoting reference MLA/2015/00476.

The Marine Management Organisation will pass to the applicant a copy of any objection or representation we receive.

**ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH**

## ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ASD OUTREACH SERVICE

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM IN GREENWICH?

**PRIMARY ASD OUTREACH WORKER- ASD OUTREACH SERVICE**  
**SALARY: Scale 6 - £24,744 - £26,277**  
**Teaching Assistant - TERM TIME ONLY (pro rata).**

Have you got experience in working with Early Years/Primary aged children with Autism in a mainstream setting and like working in a team? We are looking for a new member to join the well-established ASD Outreach Service in Greenwich for primary aged children.

Providing support to education staff in mainstream primary schools and early years settings, you would be working alongside staff, supporting them with specialist strategies and modelling interventions to enable students to make the best progress possible. The Outreach Service includes teachers, speech and language therapists and other professionals who are there to support you in your practice. You would be travelling across the Borough but based in Eltham and it would be an advantage to be a car user.

If you are interested in asking more about this post please e-mail:  
[Roz.weeks@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Roz.weeks@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

This role is subject to an Enhanced DBS check.

Royal Borough of Greenwich values the diversity of its community and aims to have a workforce that reflects this. We therefore encourage applications from all sections of the community.

Royal Borough of Greenwich is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. To apply for this post please visit the Royal Borough of Greenwich website:

<https://royalboroughofgreenwich.tal.net/vx/lang-en-GB/appcentre-3/candidate/jobboard/vacancy/1/adv/> or  
<https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk> and apply online.

**Closing Date: January 29th 2016**

**ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH**



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## Net gain for borough's girl players

**PLANS** to boost the borough's reputation for netball in its schools are moving ahead rapidly.

More than a hundred 12 to 14-year-old girls have been taking part in training sessions delivered by experienced coach Maureen Gordon. She has been employed by GLL as a BETTER netball community coach thanks to £3,700 of funding to deliver free netball sessions to women and girls in Royal Greenwich secondary schools.

The BETTER Sport Development team have been working in partnership with the council to increase the participation level of women and

girls playing netball. Working with local primary and secondary schools, local clubs and England Netball, the sport's national governing body, a three-year plan was created to develop the sport in the borough.

Maureen, who has considerable experience in coaching and playing, has made a real impact delivering netball sessions at Greenwich Free School, Plumstead Manor, St Thomas More and Stationer's Crown Woods College with 100 girls taking part. To keep the momentum going Maureen ran a two-day first netball master class at Thomas Tallis School, the first of many planned.

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**HOOPS OF FUN:** youngsters enjoy netball at borough Sportathon events, inset, netball coach Maureen Gordon





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